SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1154 By Bryson

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor the Reverend Doug Westmoreland, pastor of Tusculum Hills Baptist Church, for 29 years of service to the congregation and community.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially recognize those individuals who have answered a divine call to the ministry and who have served with dedication, vigor, and enthusiasm over the years to perform God's work for their congregations and their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such dedicated pastor is the Reverend Doug Westmoreland, who, on June 6, 2004, will have served for the past 29 years as pastor at Tusculum Hills Baptist Church on Nolensville Road; in that role he has given guidance and spiritual inspiration to his congregation, and has earned the respect and admiration of his congregation and all our citizens through his whole-hearted and dedicated leadership in church and community affairs; and

WHEREAS, before assuming the pastorate at Tusculum Hills Baptist Church, the Reverend Westmoreland had previously served congregations in west Tennessee and north Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Doug Westmoreland has given generously of his time and effort for the betterment of his community; he has visited and comforted pained families in hospital rooms, nursing facilities, and funeral homes and has tirelessly preached the Word of God; and

WHEREAS, with the love and encouragement of his wife Carolyn and their fine family, the Reverend Westmoreland has been a powerful positive influence in the community and has earned a justly-deserved respect for his many years of service to this congregation and to our community; and

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WHEREAS, on June 7, 2004, the Reverend Doug Westmoreland will begin his 30th year of ministry to the congregation at Tusculum Hills Baptist Church and the people of Nashville, Williamson County, and throughout Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that on Sunday, June 6, 2004, we join with the members of Tusculum Hills Baptist Church in celebrating twenty-nine years of guidance and service by Reverend Doug Westmoreland.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on behalf of the citizens of Tennessee, we extend our appreciation to the Reverend Westmoreland and his family for their many years of service to the community, and offer our best wishes for many more happy and productive years in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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